

CHUGACH NATIONAL FOREST

SCHEDULE OF NEPA PROPOSED ACTIONS

January 8, 2004

CORDOVA RANGER DISTRICT

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REBECCA NOURSE
District Ranger

1st Quarter 2004

PROJECT TITLE	LOCATION	DESCRIPTION	SCOPING STATUS	ANALYSIS STATUS AND CZMA CATEGORY*	DECISION DATE AND SIGNATURE AUTHORITY	CONTACT PERSON
Outfitter Guide Special Use Permit. Categorical Exclusion	National Forest System lands within Guide Use Area 13-07; west of the Copper River from Miles Lake to Cleave Creek.	Alaska Hunting Adventures applied for a permit to conduct brown bear and mountain goat hunts in Guide Use Area 13-07, and 06-02A1 but withdrew the request for 13-07. Further scoping and analysis are being conducted to determine the effects of issuing a permit for this area.	Public scoping began August 1, 2003.	Analysis began August 1, 2003. CZMA-FAA (3)	A Decision Memo was signed for area 06-02A1 on 9/11/03. The decision date remains open for 13-07. District Ranger	Bruce Campbell (907) 424-7661
Million Dollar Bridge Recreation Site Plan. Environmental Assessment.	Milepost 48 of the Copper River Highway.	A recreation site plan for Childs Glacier and Million Dollar Bridge is being developed to incorporate and facilitate changes due to increasing tourism use.	Began 1/99.	Analysis was conducted winter 1999 through summer 2000. CZMA-FAA (1)	Environmental Assessment completed and FONSI signed 11/12/03 by District Ranger	Bob Behrends Dixon Sherman (907) 424-7661
PROJECT CANCELLED Mile 18 Road Improvement/Fish Protection. Environmental Assessment or Categorical Exclusion.	Southeast of Cordova; milepost 18 of the Copper River Highway. north of road.	Old, unmaintained road crosses salmon stream in three spots. Fish and eggs are run over by vehicle traffic. Possible remedies include crossing structures, channel along road and bridges, and rerouting road. First crossing is in Alaska DOT right of way. Beaver dam that changed stream channel blew out and alleviated main problem.	Scoping began April 2003.	Analysis began April 2003. Maintenance of existing road may only require a categorical exclusion. CZMA FAA (1)	District Ranger	Ken Hodges (907) 424-4738

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Haystack Loop Trail, (project originally titled Mile 18 Creek Wetland Restoration/ Angler Trail). Environmental Assessment.	Southeast of Cordova; Mile 18.5 of the Copper River Highway.	Angler foot traffic has damaged upland muskegs. Need to determine effects of hardened trail or other methods to protect wetlands. Historical artifacts exist in the area. The new proposal is to form a loop trail connecting to the existing Haystack Trail.	Scoping began November 2002.	Analysis began November 2002. Results of the archaeological analysis may permit a categorical exclusion rather than an Environmental Assessment. CZMA-FAA (1)	Decision Notice July 2004 District Ranger	Ken Hodges (907) 424-4738
One-Eyed Pond Recreation Site Development. Environmental Assessment.	Southeast of Cordova; Mile 18 of the Copper River Highway, south of road.	Analysis of One-Eyed Pond area for possible recreational development. A picnic area exists there currently.	Scoping began January 2003.	Analysis began January 2003. Alternatives are not yet developed. CZMA FAA (1)	Decision date open, estimated to be 2004. District Ranger	One-Eyed Pond Recreation Site Development. Environmental Assessment.
Mile 22 Accessible Trail and Boat Ramp Project. Previously titled Mile 22 Boat Ramp as Categorical Exclusion, it is now Environmental Assessment.	Milepost 22 of the Copper River Highway, at recreation site.	The original proposal was only to improve the boat ramp at Mile 22. Since then, there has been a proposal to make the ramp accessible, and to include an accessible bridge and trail across the Alaganik Slough. Since both are occurring at the same location, it was decided to bundle the projects into one.	Scoping on the boat ramp began November 2002. Scoping on trail, bridge began November 2003.	Analysis on the boat ramp began November 2002. CZMA-FAA (1)	Decision date open. District Ranger	Sue Kesti (907) 424-7661
Alaganik Habitat Enhancement. Categorical Exclusion.	Alaganik Slough, West Copper River Delta	Enhancing adult salmon staging and juvenile rearing habitat by placing large woody debris in stream.	Public scoping began Dec. 2003.	Scoping and analysis began Dec. 2003. CZMA-FAA (1)	Decision date expected May 2004	Ken Hodges 907-424-4738
Juvenile salmon habitat enhancement. Categorical Exclusion.	Ponds in Alaganik Slough system.	Place brush bundles in ponds to improve winter rearing habitat for juvenile salmon.	Began public scoping Dec. 2003	Began public scoping Dec. 2003. CZMA-FAA (1)	Decision date expected July 2004	Samantha Greenwood 907-424-4740

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Round Island Area Use and Development Plan. Formerly Mile 27 Sand Removal. Categorical Exclusion.	Mile 27 Copper River Highway. Cordova B-3 quadrangle. T16S. R2E. Sec. 32	The original proposal was to authorize commercial and non-commercial removal of wind-blown sand from sand dunes over the next 5 years. Scoping and other analysis shows that a comprehensive plan is needed to accommodate and prevent conflicts among sand removal, recreational use, off-road vehicle use, Copper River Highway traffic, and other uses of the area.	Scoping began June 2003.	Analysis began June 2003. CZMA-FL/P (2)	Decision date Spring 2004 District Ranger	Bruce Campbell (907) 424-7661
Issue and Reissue a variety of Outfitter-Guide and other Special Use Permits.	Lands administered by the Cordova Ranger District, at various locations in eastern Prince William Sound and the Copper River Delta.	Numerous special use permit applications and permit renewals such as commercial videography, temporary installations of monitoring equipment, navigational aids, geologic survey work, encampments, and outfitter and guide services.	As needed.	A "Recreation Use Carrying Capacity Analysis" (completed August 1994) is used to evaluate hunting outfitter and guide permit requests. CZMA class dependent on permit.	Decisions are made through the year as each application or request is evaluated	Bruce Campbell (907) 424-7661

***Coastal Zone Management Act (CZMA) categories.**

FL/P = Federal License or Permit (15 CFR 930.50):

- (1) Applicant must provide a consistency certification to the Alaska Division of Governmental Coordination (DGC) and obtain DGC approval before FS can issue permit.**
- (2) ACMP consistency certification normally not required.**

FAA = Federal Agency Activity (15 CFR 930.30):

- (1) FS will provide either a consistency determination or negative determination to DGC.**
- (2) The project is generally consistent with the Alaska Coastal Mgt. Program (ACMP).**
- (3) FS does not expect to provide a consistency determination or a negative determination.**
- (4) FS has not decided whether it intends to provide a consistency determination.**

GLACIER RANGER DISTRICT

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JIM FINCHER
District Ranger

1st Quarter 2004

PROJECT TITLE	LOCATION	DESCRIPTION	SCOPING STATUS	ANALYSIS STATUS AND CZMA CATEGORY*	DECISION DATE AND SIGNATURE AUTHORITY	CONTACT PERSON
NEW PROJECT Culross Mine Shaft Closure. Categorical Exclusion.	Glacier Ranger District	Close a shaft at the Culross Mine.	Begin in January 2004	In progress. CZMA-FLP (2)	Summer 2004 District Ranger	Betty Charnon (907) 754-2326
NEW PROJECT Homestake Mine Adit Closure. Categorical Exclusion.	Glacier Ranger District	Close an adit by collapsing the opening with explosives.	Begin in January 2004	In progress. CZMA-FLP (2)	Summer 2004 District Ranger	Betty Charnon (907) 754-2326
Helicopter Skiing. Environmental Impact Statement.	Glacier and Seward Ranger Districts.	The proposed action would authorize a permit term up to 5 years for helicopter skiing in the following core zones: Glacier/ Winner Creek, 3 Twentymile River zones, Placer River/Skookum Glacier, Bench Peak, and Grandview. Exploratory zones include Moose Ck., Seattle Ck, Ptarmigan, Snow River, and Mount Ascension areas.	Began July 2001.	Analysis determined need for Environmental Impact Statement. In progress. CZMA-FL/P (2)	Winter 2003/2004 District Ranger	Teresa Paquet (907) 754-2314
East Fork Sixmile Fish Habitat Improvement. Environmental Assessment.	Glacier Ranger District	Conduct instream work to improve water flow through critical spawning areas and provide cover for both adult spawning and juvenile rearing.	Began September 2003.	In Progress. CZMA – FAA (1)	Winter/Spring 2004	Jeff Clemmer (907) 754 -2342
Jackpot Bay velocity barrier fish enhancement. Environmental Assessment.	Glacier Ranger District	Conduct instream work to enhance upstream access.	Began September 2003.	In Progress. CZMA – FAA (1)	Winter/Spring 2004	Merlyn Schleske (907) 754 -2322

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Shotgun Cove Environmental Assessment.	Private lands adjacent to City of Whittier.	Proposed action is to upgrade an existing roadway location.	Began October 2002.	In Progress. CZMA-FL/P(1)	Winter 2003/2004 Forest Supervisor	Chuck Frey (907) 743-9557
Center Ridge Trail Construction. Categorical Exclusion	Glacier Ranger District.	The proposal is to construct a trail on the east (non-motorized) side of Turnagain pass.	Began in July 2003	In progress. CZMA-FL/P (1)	Winter 2003/2004 District Ranger	Carl Skustad (907) 754-2346
Abandoned Mine Projects	District-wide on Glacier Ranger District.	Various projects related to cleanup and closure of abandoned mines.	Ongoing	Ongoing. CZMA-FL/P (2)	Decisions will be made at various times by the District Ranger.	Betty Charnon (907) 782-3242
Fish and Wildlife Projects.	District-wide on Glacier Ranger District.	Various enhancement and restoration projects primarily focused on fisheries.	Ongoing.	Ongoing. CZMA-FAA (1)	Decisions will be made at various times by the District Ranger.	Cliff Fox (907) 783-3242
Issue and reissue a variety of outfitter-guide and other special use permits.	Lands administered by the Glacier Ranger District.	Numerous special use permit applications and permit renewals such as commercial filming, recreation events, and outfitter-guides.	Ongoing, as applications are received.	Ongoing. CZMA-FL/P (2)	Decisions will be made at various times by the District Ranger.	Teresa Paquet (907) 754-2317

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SEWARD RANGER DISTRICT

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Deborah Cooper
District Ranger

1st Quarter 2004

PROJECT TITLE	LOCATION	DESCRIPTION	SCOPING STATUS	ANALYSIS STATUS AND CZMA CATEGORY*	DECISION DATE AND SIGNATURE AUTHORITY	CONTACT PERSON
Removal of mineral material from existing community pits and common use areas. Environmental Assessment with Decision Notice.	Mile 38 Sterling Hwy Sec 1, T.5N. R.2W. Mile 33 Sand Pit - Sec 21, T25N. R1W. Mile 35 Gravel Pit - Sec 17,20 T.25N. R.1E. Mile 2 Hope Road, Sec 3 T8N. R1W.	Issue permits authorizing the removal of mineral material from existing pits to both commercial and non-commercial requesters.	Began August 2001	Began Fall 2001. CZMA – FAA (1)	DECISION NOTICE Signed September 17, 2003 by District Ranger	Sherry Nelson (907) 224-3374
District Campgrounds Rehabilitation and Upgrade. Categorical Exclusion or EA, depending on scoping results.	Tenderfoot Creek.	The 30+ years old facilities will be evaluated for improvements including upgrades for accessibility, expansions to increase available sites on the Kenai Peninsula, and to accommodate larger camping vehicles.	Began January 2000.	In Progress. CZMA – FAA (4)	Decision Memo signed on November 24, 2003 by District Ranger	Karen O'Leary (907) 224-3374
Palmer Creek Road Upgrade. Environmental Assessment with Decision Notice	Palmer Creek Road, starting at Mile 15 of the Hope Highway near the town of Hope. T10N, R2W; T9N, R2W; T9N, R1W; T8N, R2W.	Upgrade Palmer Creek Road to engineering standards for width, passing areas, and gravel surfacing.	Beginning in Summer of 2002.	Beginning Summer 2002. CZMA – FAA (1)	Project put on hold indefinitely District Ranger	Sam Grimes (907) 743-9552
Implementing Resurrection Pass Carrying Capacity. Categorical Exclusion or Environmental Assessment, depending on scoping results.	Resurrection Pass, Devil's Pass, and Summit Creek Trails.	Decide whether to authorize additional guided use, including hiking, mountain bike riding, horses, and llamas. If decision is made to authorize additional use, interested outfitter guides will compete for limited permits.	Scoping on revised capacity study began in Fall 2002.	In Progress. CZMA – FL/P (2) Project delayed indefinitely.	Spring 2004 District Ranger	Karen Kromrey (907) 224-3374

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NEW PROJECT Seward Multi-Agency Center Land Acquisition. Categorical Exclusion.	Seward Downtown area.	Proposed acquisition of land for future site of administrative offices and visitor facilities for the Seward Ranger District, Kenai Fjords National Park and other participating agencies.	Begin January 2004	In progress FAA (4)	March 2004 Regional Forester	Andy Schmidt (907) 743-9555
NEW PROJECT Quartz East Mechanical Fuel Reduction. Categorical Exclusion with Decision Memo.	East of Cooper Landing near Milepost 44 of the Sterling Highway.	Reduce fuel loading and improve wildlife habitat in 600 acres of forested stands with mechanical equipment.	Begin in January 2004	Begin Spring 2004 CZMA – FAA (3)	Summer 2004 District Ranger	Mary Ann Benoit (907) 224-3374
NEW PROJECT Gull Rock Unit 1 Fuel Reduction. Categorical Exclusion with Decision Memo.	West of the community of Hope along Gull Rock Trail.	Reduce fuel loading in 13 acres and provide personal free use firewood to local residents. Improve stand health in 70 acre birch stand in vicinity of Gull Rock Trail.	Begin in January 2004	Begin Spring 2004 CZMA – FAA (3)	Summer 2004 District Ranger	Thomas Lowell (907) 224-3374
NEW PROJECT Gwenies Fuel Reduction. Categorical Exclusion with Decision Memo.	West of Cooper Landing near Milepost 52 of the Sterling Highway.	Reduce fuel loading on 50 acres and provide personal free use firewood to local residents.	Begin in January 2004	Begin Spring 2004 CZMA – FAA (3)	Summer 2004 District Ranger	Elizabeth Bella (907) 224-3374
NEW PROJECT Ptarmigan Lake Prescribed Burn. Categorical Exclusion with Decision Memo.	Adjacent to Ptarmigan Lake south of the community of Moose Pass.	Reduce fuel loading in 1500 acres of forested stands with prescribed burn.	Begin in January 2004	Begin Spring 2004 CZMA – FAA (3)	Summer 2004 District Ranger	Mary Ann Benoit (907) 224-3374

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Resurrection Creek Stream and Riparian Restoration Project. Environmental Impact Statement.	River Mile 5.0 to 5.8 upstream from the mouth of Resurrection Creek, Hope, AK.	This project involves restoring the floodplain and channel of 0.8 miles of Resurrection Creek heavily disturbed by historic placer mining.	Scoping began Feb. 2003. Additional scoping in June 2003.	Analysis began January 2003. CZMZ-FAA (1)	Winter 2003-2004 District Ranger	Dave Blanchet (907) 743-953
Iditarod Recreation Trail. Environmental Assessment with Decision Notice.	From Seward to Girdwood.	Construct a recreation trail connecting established trails that generally parallel the Highway/Railroad between Seward and Girdwood following sections of Iditarod Trail routes.	Began August 2002.	In Progress. CZMA – FAA (1)	Spring 2004 Forest Supervisor	Dan Golden (907) 224-4114
Alaska Railroad Special Use Permit for Berm. Categorical Exclusion with Decision Memo.	Trail Creek, north of Moose Pass at Railroad Mile 36.	Alaska Railroad Corporation proposed to construct 1200 feet of berm for flood protection.	Began in September 2003.	In Progress. CZMA - FL/P (1)	Winter 2003 District Ranger	Karen O’Leary (907) 224-3374
Godwin Glacier Dog Sledding and other Guided Tours. Outfitter/Guide One year Special Use Permit for 2004 season. Categorical Exclusion.	Godwin Glacier near Seward, Sec. 3, T1S, R1E, S.M.	Permit issuance for guided dog sled tours, overnight camping, and glacier walks on Godwin Glacier. This would involve a summer base camp on Godwin Glacier, dog sled tours, and helicopter trips providing transportation to and from the base camp and Seward Airport.	Began in October 2003.	Begin Fall 2003. CZMA – FL/P (1)	Spring 2004 Decision Memo By District Ranger.	Karen Kromrey (907) 224-3374
Lost Lake Run Recreation Permit Renewal. Categorical Exclusion with Decision Memo.	Primrose – Lost Lake Trail north of Seward.	Renewal of annual one-day recreation event special use permit.	Begin in Winter 2003/2004.	In Progress. CZMA – FL/P (2)	Spring 2004 District Ranger	Karen O’Leary (907)224-3374

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Guided ATV Tours. Outfitter/Guide One year Special Use Permit for 2004 season. Categorically Excluded Action, with Decision Memo.	Crown Point Mining Road and Falls Creek Mining Road, near Moose Pass. Sec 13, 24, T4N, R1W. Sec 17, 18, 19, 20, T4N, R1E, S.M.	Decision whether to re-issue a special use permit for guided ATV rides on these two roads.	Began October 2003.	Began Fall 2003. CZMA – FL/P (2)	Spring 2004 District Ranger	Karen Kromrey (907) 224-3374
Gull Rock Prescribed Burn. Environmental Analysis.	Hope area, T10N R3W, S.M.	Burn approximately 300-500 acres of beetle infested and dead spruce to reduce wild fire potential and improve wildlife habitat. Unit may be pre-felled before burning.	Began Summer 2003.	Project Delayed until 2005. CZMA-FAA (3)	Spring 2004 District Ranger	Mary Ann Benoit (907)224-3374
Grouse Lake Clean-up. Environmental Assessment with Decision Notice.	Old Mill Subdivision, 7 miles north of Seward west of Seward Highway, NW 1/4, Sec. 12 T1N, R1W.	Develop a management plan for EVOS acquired National Forest System lands (1996) incorporating cleanup of old cars, hazmat, as well as evaluating permitting needs for flood plain control. Evaluation of restoration, development, and education/interpretation opportunity in various resources	Began September 2002.	Began Fall 2002. CZMA – FAA (1)	Winter 2003 District Ranger	Elizabeth Bella (907) 224-4130
Primrose Fuel Reduction Project. Environmental Assessment with Decision Notice.	Primrose Road Sec. 24,25,36 T3N. R1W, S.M.	Reduce fire hazard to federal and private property in the urban/wildland interface by removing fuels (dead spruce trees) adjacent to and above private property along Primrose Road, Primrose Creek Campground and the Seward Highway.	Begin January 2004. (Start in February)	Begin Spring 2004 CZMA – FAA (1)	Summer 2004 District Ranger	Elizabeth Bella (907) 224-4130

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Kenai Lake Work Center Employee Housing Complex. Environmental Assessment with Decision Notice.	Forest Service Administrative Site at Kenai Lake Work Center, Mile 23.5 Seward Hwy, near Moose Pass; Sec 25, T4N, R1W. Schooner Bend site, near Cooper Landing, Mile 53.5 Sterling Hwy; Sec 34, T5N, R4W. Mile 9, Hope Hwy.	Replace or build 8 buildings within the Kenai Lake Work Center Facility including replacing Hazardous Material Storage building, replacing one or both dorms and the Crew House, moving petroleum storage tanks, etc. Decommission current Schooner Bend Administrative Site. Decommission Hope Guard Station and build two trailer pads. Replace bunkhouse and analyze waste water system at Broadview Guardstation.	Began Summer of 2002.	Began Summer 2002. CZMA – FAA (1) Project delayed until Fall 2003.	Spring 2004 District Ranger	Seward Ranger District Public Services staff officer. (907) 224-3374
District Campgrounds Rehabilitation and Upgrade. Categorical Exclusion or EA, depending on scoping results.	Ptarmigan Creek.	The 30+ years old facilities will be evaluated for improvements including upgrades for accessibility, expansions to increase available sites on the Kenai Peninsula, and to accommodate larger camping vehicles.	Began January 2000.	In Progress. CZMA – FAA (4)	Spring 2004 District Ranger	Karen O'Leary (907) 224-3374
Kids Fishing Day Pond Categorical Exclusion	Old gravel pit pond at Mile 35.2, Seward Highway. T5N, R2W, Sec 17. (Seward C-7).	Determine suitability of developing this pond as a site for future Kids Fishing Day programs. Stock with hatchery rainbows.	Beginning in Summer 2003	Began summer 2003. CZMA – FAA (3)	Summer 2004 District Ranger	Eric Johansen 907 224-4124
Snow River Private Road Special Use Permit. Environmental Assessment with Decision Notice.	Snow River, Sec 19, and 30, T3N, R1E, S.M.	Landowner proposes to construct a road to access private property. The year round access would parallel the railroad for about 1 mile. Driving surface would be 12 feet with 18-foot clearing limit. It would traverse backwater streams, sloughs, and silt deposits along the lower Snow River.	Began August 2000. Additional Scoping conducted Sept 2003	Applicant submitted modified proposal. CZMA – FL/P (1)	Spring 2004 Forest Supervisor	Karen O'Leary (907) 224-3374

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Turnagain Slate Rock Lease Site. Decision Memo or Environmental Assessment depending on scoping results.	Slate Deposit at Mile 11.5 of the Hope Highway.	District is exploring the possibility of issuing a lease for the removal of slate for use in the decorative stone market.	Began January 2001.	In Progress. CZMA – FL/P (1)	Spring 2004 District Ranger	Sherry Nelson (907) 224-3374
Russian River Access Trails. Categorical Exclusion with Decision Memo or EA/ Decision Notice.	Access from Russian River Campground to the Angler's trail.	Revisit the 1996 Russian River Angler's Trail Decision Notice to construct a Tram from the Grayling Parking Area, and evaluate closure of two sections of the Angler's trail near the Pink and Red Salmon accesses.	Began November 2001.	In Progress. CZMA – FAA (4)	Winter 2003/2004 District Ranger	Pat O'Leary (907) 224-3374
Seward Ranger District Weed Management District. (Previously listed as Resurrection River Weed Control District.) Categorical Exclusion with Decision Memo.	Exit Glacier Road, Forest Service and Park Service lands. Sections 10, 11, 13, 14, T1N, R2W; Section 18, T1N R1W.	Organize nonnative species and exotic species weed pulls in cooperation with Kenai Fjords National Park with public participation; initiate an education and prevention program, establish protocol for programmatic management of nonnative plants on the District.	Began September 2002.	Began Fall 2002. CZMA – FAA (3)	Winter 2004. District Ranger	Elizabeth Bella (907) 224-4130
Cooper Creek Erosion Control. Categorical Exclusion.	East of confluence of Cooper Creek and Kenai River. Sec 31, T5N, R3W.	Reduce sediment movement from cut bank to Cooper Creek and Kenai River.	Began Summer 2000.	In Progress. CZMA – FAA (4)	Spring 2004 District Ranger	Mary Ann Benoit (907) 224-3374
Re-issue Special Use Permits. Categorical Exclusion with Decision Memo.	Power line distribution system on Kenai Peninsula.	Chugach Electric Power line permit, an existing use, on Glacier and Seward Ranger Districts will be renewed.	In Progress.	In Progress. CZMA – FL/P (1)	Winter 2003 Forest Supervisor	Andy Schmidt (907) 743-9555

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Stream Bank Restoration Categorical Excluded Action, with Decision Memo	Russian River above power line to Russian Falls Sec 4,9, T4N,R4W; Sec 33, T5N,R4W.	Identify streamside areas needing stream bank stabilization due to angler trampling.	Began July 2002	In progress. CZMA – FAA(4)	Summer 2003 District Ranger	Eric Johansen (907) 224-4124
Resurrection Creek 10-11 Prescribed Burn. Categorically Excluded Action, with Decision Memo.	Hope area, Sec 9 and 16, T9N, R2W, S.M.	Burn approximately 700 acres of beetle infested and dead spruce to reduce wild fire potential and improve wildlife habitat. 300 acres of mixed spruce/hemlock may also be burned within the project area. Unit may be pre-felled before burning.	Began January 2002.	In progress CZMA-FAA (3)	Project Delayed until 2005 District Ranger	Mary Ann Benoit (907) 224-3374
Manitoba Cabin Replacement. Categorical Exclusion with Decision Memo.	Manitoba Mountain Area near Lower Summit Lake.	Replace the existing cabin and potentially relocate it farther up the mountain.	Began January 2002.	In Progress CZMA – FAA (4)	Spring 2004 District Ranger	Pat O’Leary (907) 743-9497
Upper Russian Lake Cabin Relocation or Replacement. Categorical Exclusion with Decision Memo.	East Side of Upper Russian Lake.	Evaluate the cabin for historic significance. Relocate or replace the cabin away from the adjacent stream.	Began summer 2002.	In Progress. CZMA – FAA (4)	Winter 2003/2004 District Ranger	Patrick O’Leary (907) 224-3374
Hope Point Trail Reconstruction. Categorical Exclusion with Decision Memo.	Beginning in Porcupine Campground near Hope, AK.	Reconstruct and/or relocate approximately 2 miles of trail into the alpine above Porcupine Campground.	Began summer 2002.	In Progress. CZMA – FAA (3)	Winter 2003/2004 District Ranger	Patrick O’Leary (907) 224-3374
Gulch Creek Trail and Trailhead Reconstruction. Categorical Exclusion with Decision Memo.	Beginning at Mile 57.5 of the Seward Highway.	Reconstruct the old mining access trail that parallels Gulch Creek, and provide parking adjacent to the highway.	Began summer 2002.	In Progress. CZMA – FAA (3)	Winter 2004/2005 District Ranger	Patrick O’Leary (907) 224-3374

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Timber Stand Thinning Projects. Categorically Excluded Action, with Decision Memo.	Mile 39-41 Seward Hwy; Sec 2, T5N, R2W; Sec 35, T6N, R2W.	Thin small diameter conifer and hardwood trees to improve the vigor of remaining trees. Harvested poles and fuel wood would be made available to the public.	Ongoing as opportunities arise.	In progress. CZMA – FAA(3)	Decisions will be made at various times by the Seward District Ranger.	Mark Kromrey (907) 224-3374
Hardwood Regeneration Project. Categorically Excluded Action, with Decision Memo.	Snow River Bridge, Sec 19,30,31, T3N, R1E. Cooper Landing, Sec 25,30, T5N, R4W; Hope, Sec 34,T10N, R2W; & Sec 3 T9N, R2W.	Mature stands of birch, willow, and aspen up to 10 acres in size, will be felled to improve habitat for bald eagles, northern goshawks, snowshoe hares and moose. Sites may be scarified, planted, or burned after felling.	Ongoing as opportunities arise.	In Progress. CZMA – FAA (3)	Decisions will be made at various times by the Seward District Ranger.	Mary Ann Benoit (907) 224-3374
Special Use Permits. Categorical Exclusion.	Various locations on the Seward Ranger District.	Several new and existing special use permit applications for such activities as log storage sites, outfitter/guide operations and recreation events will be evaluated.	Ongoing, as applications are received.	Ongoing. CZMA – FL/P (2)	Decisions will be made at various times by the Seward District Ranger	Karen O'Leary (907) 224-3374
Mining Plans of Operation. Categorically Excluded with Project File or Decision Memo. Type of document depends on scoping results.	Various locations on the Seward Ranger District.	Evaluation of mining plans for small placer and hardrock operations. The activity usually occurs in the following drainages: Quartz, Canyon, Mills, Juneau, John's, Primrose, Porcupine, Victor, Falls, Sixmile, Crescent, Stetson, Bear, Gulch, Diane, Cooper, Silvertip, Palmer, Pass Fresno, Resurrection Creek, and Lynx.	Scoping is continuous as plans are received.	Ongoing. CZMA – FL/P (2)	Decisions will be made at various times by the Seward District Ranger.	Sherry Nelson (907) 224-3374..

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